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¶1. (SBU) Leah Ruiz, Director for International Political, Legal, and Security Affairs in the Department of Foreign Affairs' Office of United Nations and International Organizations, told poloff that President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo will not / not be leading the Philippine delegation to the 2007 United Nations General Assembly (UNGA). However, Ms. Ruiz did note that President Arroyo may be in New York at that time for a separate engagement.

¶2. (SBU) In President Arroyo's absence, Secretary of Foreign Affairs Alberto Romulo is scheduled to lead the Philippine delegation at the 2007 UNGA.

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